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## RESEARCH AT REVELLE

At all colleges there exists a certain amount of research. UCSD, however, conducts an extensive amount of investigation in many areas (in fact, a major portion of faculty funding is due to research grants). Projects range from geophysical experiments to the analysis of William Blake's poetry. Many noted PhD's and Nobel prize winners have conducted research at UCSD.

However, with so much emphasis placed on research, many students complain that professors do not devote enough time to teaching. It may be argued that a University is a place to gain classroom know-

ledge (University of education) and not an institute of research. However, those investigating new branches of knowledge are learning and through a new Research Seminar program, undergraduates are able to learn about their professors areas of interest. Each quarter the Revelle Faculty Student Programing Board sponsors several informal gatherings at which professors discuss with a small group of interested students aspects of their research.

It is possible for a university to function as a research institute as well as a place of higher academic learning. For further information about "Research at Revelle" see page 6. And for more information about Research Seminars, drop by the Community Center, or call 452-2519.



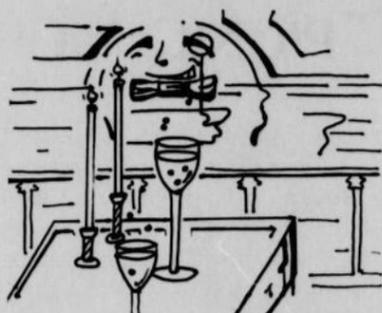
## ALMOST ANYTHING GOES

On your marks! Get set! GO!

AAG (almost anything goes) begins at 10:00 A.M. Saturday, April 17th. Revelle residents and commuter students will compete in games ranging from an obstacle course to "all in a day's event." Last year Meteor won, and their name appears on the trophy in the Resident Dean's office. Will they win again? "Well, seeing that it's not after fogcutter's (like last year),

we've got a good chance," says Matthew Xavier, R.A. of Meteor. Good luck Matt.

Following the competition there will be a BBQ and ice cream social for all the contestants. The competition should prove exciting, and the day will be fun for all. So start your exercise regime now and help lead your dorm or team on to victory on April 17th.



## SEMI-FORMAL

Spring Fever will soon be in the air, and along with it comes the Revelle Annual Semi-Formal. This year it will be at the Hyatt Islandia on Mission Bay with grooving tunes from the Snails. So, guys--bring your favorite girl, girls--bring your favorite guy, or just bring your favorite buddies to one of the biggest festivities at Revelle. It will also be the last big event before the Seniors graduate! So, make sure to bring back your favorite outfit from home after spring break and reserve May 21st on your calendar for an evening of fun for everyone.

## CAFE IMPROVES?!

New and Improved. No, not a soap powder in a bigger box, or a dog deoderant with a lemon-fresh scent. The Cafe Suggestion Box! Now controlled exclusively by the Housing and Food Services Committee. The box hungrily awaits your ideas at the north end of the cafe entryway; or stop by the

committee meetings and help them give the Cafe staff food for thought (Weds., 4p.m., Res Dean's conf. room). Remember the immortal words St. Francis of Acid Indigestion: 'Tis better to write a single comment than to curse the Captain's Plate.'

## REVELLE YEARBOOK

The first Revelle Yearbook is coming! It will include scenes from our college, personal messages from you to eternity, and much more. This is not a yearbook for the whole universtiy nor a chronicle full of faces and events that you can not possibly relate to. The price is low, and chances are that you will be in it. All the dorms will be covered (yes,

even Argo). It will be a handsome piece of literature to fit between your copy of Heart of Darkness (remember Humanities) and The Other Side of Midnight (remember the weekends). Anyway, however colorful (or sordid) your memories are of Revelle, the yearbook will contain them. Get yours soon!

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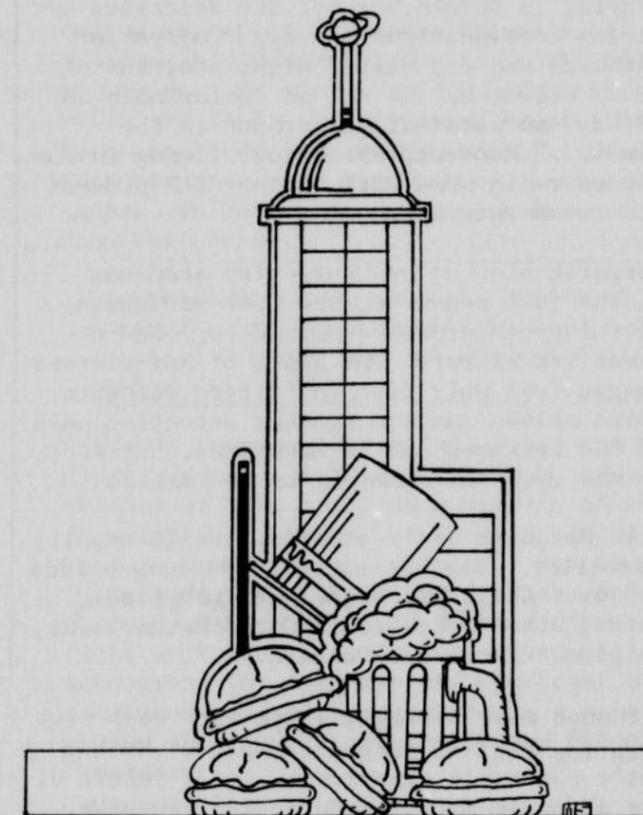
TAU KAPPA EPSILON, a fraternity recently formed on campus, will be rushing next quarter; we are not the stereotypical bunch of ego-ridden rich kids! We help out in the community, build friendships, and... give great parties. Get in contact with one of us and make 50 friends.

## "PICNIC NIGHT" AT BOLL WEEVILS

If you live in the dorms, ask yourself: have you ever had a craving for a hamburger on a Sunday afternoon and found out that it's "Picnic Nite" at the Cafeteria? Well, we all know how "good" Picnic Nite is !?!. So take yourself, your burger craving and probably the rest of your suite to Boll Weevils in La Jolla on Prospect.

Boll Weevil's specialty is their one-half pound Steerburger (for only \$1.59). Along with that comes a whole tray full of pickles, onions, relish, chile peppers, etc. (I can never remember what is on the tray). Pile up your hamburger with as much as you like.

If burgers aren't your thing, Boll Weevil's also has hot dogs, chili, nachos and beer. Of course, Boll Weevil's has its faults. Polyester is the fabric of the day, and the fries won't put McDonald's out of business, but on those nights when the cafe seems more like a death camp than a diner, Boll Weevil's can save the day.



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

- March 15-- HOLIDAY!
- March 16-- Finals Week begins.
- March 22-- VACATION!
- March 29-- Instruction begins.
- April 1-- Rocky Horror Picture Show in the Gym.
- April 2-- Fogcutters.
- April 9-- Noon Concert with SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES.
- April 17-- Almost Anything Goes on the Revelle Field Ice cream social afterwards at 8:00 p.m..

## MIDNIGHT SUN

20 year-old Margaret Clowry, a junior, is staying in Bergen, Norway. She describes her living accommodations as very enjoyable—although she did write, "Right now, the 'cozy old house' is not so comfortable as we have no water—it has frozen in the lines..." However, she enjoys living in the 250 year-old home with another EAP student and two Norwegians.

Margaret also enjoys Norwegian academia. For the fall semester, she took Norwegian, Histology, Microscope Methodology and Ancient Art History. The sizes of her classes ranged from only five to fifteen students, which allows maximum teacher attention. All of the lectures are in Norwegian, but most of the required reading is in English

When Margaret isn't studying she is usually traveling. She has hiked in Hardanganvidda and over Christmas break she travelled throughout Europe: Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium, France and Denmark.

Although most Norwegians are very competent with the English language, most of Margaret's memorable experiences are a result of her struggle with the Norwegian language. The language barrier is frustrating to her, but she tries to speak as much Norwegian as she can. However, she states that once the attempt at overcoming such a barrier is made, the rewards are worthwhile. "I also have found the kindness and sincerity of the Norwegian people wonderful. Sure, it does take longer to get to know a person from a culture which tends to be more reserved, but once you make a friend, it's a true friend."

Margaret has gained other valuable insights as well. "I have learned very much—mainly that college life means much more than what I got on the last physics quiz," she writes. "I will also bring back to San Diego the idea that we live in a big world of which America is just a small part. I have become more sensitive to foreign issues and more aware of foreign cultures (as I am a foreigner in this land)."



Margaret Clowry (on left) and friends in Norway.

As early as 1962, the University of California has offered its students an oppor-

tunity to study abroad with its Education Abroad Program. It all began with France and has now extended to Scandinavia, Italy, Spain, the U.K. and Ireland, Germany, Austria, Japan, China, Israel, and Africa. The time spent in a foreign country varies from nine months for Mexico (which also offers a quarter study program) to a whole year as for Sweden. In the future, Australia may be added to the EAP list.

This year, 659 UC students are abroad in 23 different countries, 72 of these are from UCSD. The aim of such a program is to enable students to widen their scope of experience and knowledge in their fields of interest. Already 98 students have applied for next year (the deadline was in November). Hannalore Malone, the program's Counselor since 1973, insists that interested freshmen should come and talk to her in order to find out what language and other requirements need to be fulfilled. Too many undergraduates, after taking one quarter of a language, decide to apply and discover that they should have com-

pleted two years of that language beforehand.

For those of you planning to spread your wings this summer, many study abroad programs are available. For instance, one may study in the USSR at the Leningrad State University or in China at the Peking or Fudan Universities through the University of California. Other programs are offered independently in England at Wroxton College or Oxford, and in France, Spain, Germany, Italy at different "euro-centres" (language schools) in the countries. The courses at these centres last three weeks with twenty lessons per week and are given at all levels. Aside from the language, a wide variety of social and cultural activities are organized for the student. Accommodation is arranged with families and small boarding-houses to provide an environment which compliments the program itself.

For more information, drop by the Inter-

## EDUCATION ABROAD

national Center on campus and pick up the 1982 Student Work Study Travel Catalog which contains an application. What you thought an impossible dream may come true-- this summer!



## THAMES TIME

Andrew Weymer, a 20 year-old junior, is spending his Education Abroad in the city of London. He enjoys his living quarters, which are in an old Victorian house that has been converted into a dormitory. Andrew is situated in a room overlooking the small campus, which is located at the base of Hampstead Heath.

*"...while a man on the P.A. system urged neighbors not to throw old furniture out of their windows (an old Italian custom on New Year's Eve)."*

Andrew's courses last a full year, and his final grades will be determined by exams at the end of this year. As a student of the University of London, he is doing intercollegiate study at two colleges. His courses include Organic Chemistry with lab, and Zoology with lab. He is looking forward to field work that his Zoology class will be conducting for ten days off the coast of Scotland. Andrew is also taking a subsidiary course in Economics at the London School of Economics.

Over Christmas break, Andrew traveled through Europe. He writes, "After meeting a friend in Vienna, we visited the beer halls and Christmas markets in Munich, spent a white Christmas in Zurich, and then went to the home of the Renaissance, Florence." An exciting time was New Year's Eve in the Piazza de Navarra of Rome "...where crowds of people gathered to ring in the new year while a man on a P.A. system urged neighbors not to throw old furniture out of their windows (an old Italian custom on New Year's Eve)."

Andrew has had many exciting experiences. Besides seeing Italian gun-carrying police search for Red Brigade terrorists while in Italy, Andrew spent an evening in a London bar sitting next to band members from King Crimson and Pink Floyd. Such experiences, Andrew writes, "bring newspaper stories to life."

## THE STRANGER WITHIN THEE

Students may tend to forget that their professors pursue other career goals aside from teaching. This basically takes the form of research and writing. Professor Stephen Cox, head of the Humanities Writing Program and a popular figure among his students, has written several essays, a few reviews, and one book. His book, The Stranger Within Thee, published in 1980, deals with "concepts of the self" in late Eighteenth Century literature. At present, Professor Cox is preparing a work on Blake, the poet often described as "romantic". Cox is particularly interested in Blake's philosophy of love and sex, as well as the trends of the poet's historical reputation. Theoretical problems of interpretation and evaluation of literature are fields which Cox believes to be in need of development. Let us hope the muses bring him a draught of the precious Hippocrene...

## STARCH INHIBITORS

"Are you getting that same old redundant thought of gaining excess baggage as you indulge in the Cafeteria's famous carrot cake?" If your response was a "yes", you will be glad to know that Professor J.A. Deutsch of the Psychology Department is presently heading a research group that is attempting to determine the mechanisms of food intake in man. Using the albino rat and starch inhibitors, Professor Deutsch hopes to determine some of the factors leading to human obesity.

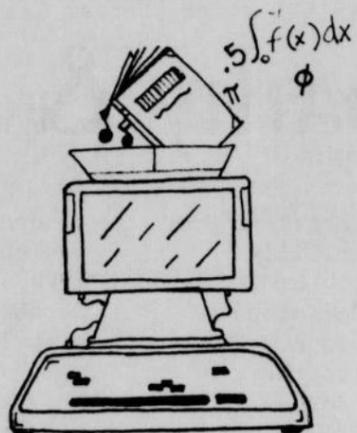
Respected among his contemporaries, Professor Deutsch's other research interests include brain stimulation, addiction, and the psychological basis of memory. He received his Ph.D. from Oxford upon completion of his thesis on learning and motivation. Deutsch is a very approachable professor and is very concerned with students.

## OPTICAL PROCESSING

Dr. George Lewak, of the EE/CS department, only recently became interested in optical computing, when a colleague, Dr Lee Sing, approached him with the idea of solving mathematical equations using optics. According to Dr Lewak, the idea is relatively simple. Using the present digital computers, an attempt to solve multiple simultaneous equations would take a long time because the computer only works on one part of the problem at a time. The time factor becomes a consideration in areas such as weather prediction, when the computers result may be too delayed to be of any use. Optical signal processing, however, sends a beam of light through a picture of the problem, solving it almost instantaneously, as the computer calculates every part of the equation at once.

At the moment, the idea is still on a theoretical level. According to Dr. Lewak, "The technology is there, but it must be pushed to the limit to implement the optical signal processing plan." Equations with a maximum of one thousand variables may be solved with the present technology. However, equations dealing with two dimensional integrals and non-linear functions may be solved with new technologically advanced computers.

The first step, however, is to get "manpower and funding." Dr. Lewak would like to work with graduate students and faculty interested in the project from both the theoretical and experimental aspect.



## APATHY & THE AIRWAVES

91X (a block of Bob Seger or Billy Joel)... the FM B100 (Christopher Cross)... KGB-FM 101.5 (Journey, "Open Arms")... K105 (Willie Nelson)... FM106 KPRI (Styx)... ZZZZZZ...

ceded to turn some non-chart tunes like Jeff Beck, Yardbirds and miscellaneous

NEW WAVE

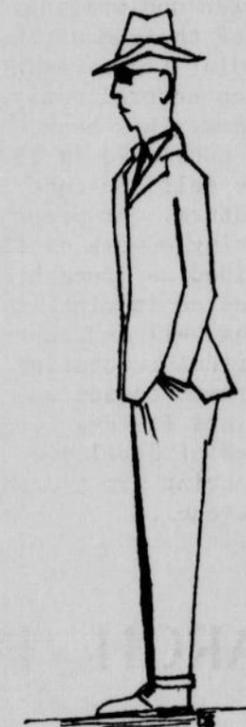
James Batten, although KPRI material, spoke out recently against San Diego area commercial radio. His first week on the job with the radio station he created ON THE AIR that the local 'beat' needed variety, so he pro-

Consequently, he was suspended until he most likely admitted to never do it again. But he made his point--no use in martyring him. The air waves in San Diego are filled with repetitive top 40

pop, most of it dry and socially unreal. In radio station there seems to be a NO-NO list or, more specifically a playlist, set up by corporate record companies: Music-speak, as they say.

Some youth in the area would like to hear alternative melodies, like on KSDT or Pasadena's KROQ. We want the airwaves.

...KROQ (Echo and the Bunnymen, "It Was A Pleasure")...



by JACK STEPHENS

## THE RUINS OF REVELLE

Recently, San Diego played host to one of the nation's largest conventions of psychics and seers. Being reasonably open-minded, I decided to check it out. After wandering around for half an hour and being told about aura, karma and meditation as a cure for foot odor, I stumbled through a door in search of the restroom or the bar (any port in a storm). I listened, rapt, as the speaker in the room made his case. He asserted that the editor of the Hemet Daily Sentinel was a psychic. It seems that a survey of 1000 area clairvoyants highlighted an amazing correlation between the seers' Thursday morning predictions and the content of Wednesday's front page. Astounding. I decided to talk with him when he was finished.

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"I was very..."

"Oh, thank you. It's surprising how many people feel that way; they're amazed by the patently obvious."

"Do you think..."

"Certainly. We've been able to predict everything from Mt. St. Helen's to the fall of darkness, and yet people still deny the existence of entry ports into higher levels of the time weave. They even laughed at my prediction of the Soledad eruption."

About this time I began to think that perhaps the guy's own time weave was just a bit unravelled. He turned a slight tinge of blue, muttered something about headbands and blindness, and was gone.

Now, I can predict a midterm grade before the test as well as anyone, but psychic I'm not. I decided to take this eruption stuff up with a pro. I called Dr. Roland E. Johnson, a Ph.D. in Upper-Atmosphere Geo-Physics and a pioneer of the Johnson shuffle (irreplaceable if you want to walk like a slinky). According to the doc, Soledad is safe, but the fountain is doomed; Revelle should be the Pompeii of the Southwest by Thursday. Eventually, someone will dig us out. When that happens, there will be a report on their findings, and it might look something like this...

**Parkin Glut:** A large area provided for amusement. Rules believed to derive from Musical Chairs.

**Cafeteria:** Name stems from *Caveat Dinor*, A large building used for the pacification of the masses. Medication administered here increased discontent, but sapped strength. Signs of encroaching plant life indicate decay of managerial cortex.

**Argo:** Believed to be the sight of a long term behaviorism study on some lower form of life. Study conducted by combining echo chamber with detention center. Believed continued despite failure.

**Alcohol:** Basis of a cult which sprung up in opposition to the organized activities for which the site is believed designed. Practiced by indefensible parasite, the continuing undergraduate. See also *Argo*, *Fogcutters*.

Of course the eruption may not be all bad. Look what charcoal mellowing did for Lynchburg, Tennessee. But personally, seeing as it's tenth week, I think the only good eruption is a big eruption. Ashes to ashes, dust to dust, finals are coming and it's eruption or bust. Good luck folks.

## REVELLATIONS

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